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PRECURSORS AND THEIR USE TO PRODUCE IMMUNOGENS

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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. 81.111

Dear Sir:

This amendment is in response to the Final Office Action in the above referenced case, dated 10 February 2005, for which a response was due 10 May 2005. A Petition for an Extension of Time of one month until 10 June 2005 is submitted herewith along with the required fee. Careful consideration has been given to the grounds for rejection and the following amendment and discussion are offered in response. Reconsider is respectfully requested.

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